



Simi Settlers' Amateur Radio Club

Short Circuit

January 2014

January 9, 2014

Static & Sparks

By President, Rick Galbraith W6DQE



Hello Simi Settlers,

Happy New Years to all !

It will be hard to keep up with the last year's flurry of club activities, but let's all try to see if we can have as much fun as we did last year. You can count on a few more of those special raffle prizes throughout the year.

This has really turned out to be something our club members enjoy. I want to thank everyone last year that purchased those tickets "early and often" !

Please consider coming up with your own new ideas for a Simi Settlers building project. This can be anything from a basic antenna to a custom electronic project. It is a great way to get your hands on experience with something new and share with the rest of us.

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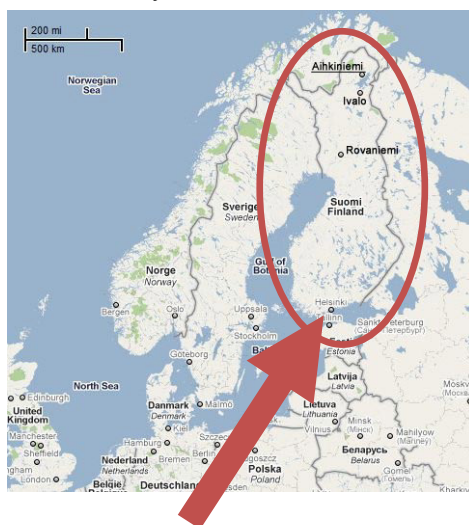
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General Meeting
Time: 7:00pm
Location: Simi Valley
Senior Center
3900 Avenida Simi
Simi Valley, CA 93063

January Program

Hello From Finland!

Jussi Eloranta AA6KJ, will regale us with his DXing adventures from his home country of Finland.



Born in Helsinki, Finland in 1967 Jussi has MS degrees in Chemistry, Computer Science and Mathematics: 1993 (University of Jyväskylä, Finland) PhD degree in Physical Chemistry: 1997 (University of Jyväskylä, Finland) Professor of Chemistry: 2002 - 2006 (University of Jyväskylä, Finland) and 2006 - (California State University, Northridge) Author of about 70 scientific publications and several book chapters.

Jussi got his Novice class license in 1979 (OH6KJ), General class license in 1983 (OH6KJ), and when he came to the USA his Tech./General/Extra class license in 2012 (AA6KJ).

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Frank Valdez KI6OQ is hard at work planning ahead for our monthly meetings with guest speakers and club field trips. I know I have said this before, but please consider yourself for making a presentation at one of our meetings. It always is a positive experience.

Lastly, we closed out the year as usual with our holiday party. There was so much good food and we gave away more raffle prizes than ever before. Most of all it was just nice to relax and laugh with our friends. Jim & Lea Veronica really showed us they know how to entertain and made us all feel welcome and comfortable in their home. Thank you Veronicas for your hospitality.

You can count on 2014 to be a great year to be a Simi Settler !

73, Rick
W6DQE
SSARC President

Loaner Radio Kenwood TS-520



If you would like to see what it's like to get on the HF bands let us know and we'll help you get on the air.

Simi Valley CERT Training

The next Simi Valley CERT training class is scheduled for February 13, 2014 thru March 22, 2014. The first five classes are held on Thursday evenings from 6:30pm to 9:30pm at Simi Valley Police Department Emergency Operations Center, 3901 Alamo Street. The Saturday disaster simulation exercise is held at the Ventura County Fire Regional Training Center, located at 102 Durley Road, Camarillo Airport, Camarillo, from 8 am to 4 pm.

Seating is limited so call (805)583-6116 or e-mail CERT@simivalley.org or check out <http://www.simivalley.org/index.aspx?page=267> for more information.

Nets of Interest

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
SSARC CW Net 7:30pm - 8:30pm John Percival WI6O will be listening and making calls using his call sign and referencing "SSARC" in this transmission. Please listen in on 7.050, 21.050, 28.050 depending on band conditions. LSB Net 8pm 3.908 MHz SSARC 2 Meter Net 8:30 pm SMRA-ERN Repeater 146.805 - 0.6MHz PL100.0 or 445.580 - 5.0MHz PL100.0	Condor Connection 7pm (Plays Newsline) Thousand Oaks 223.940-1.6 MHz PL156.7 Frazier Mountain 224.720-1.6 MHz PL156.7	ACS Area 1 Simi Valley SMRA-ERN 7:05pm Repeater 146.805 - 0.6MHz PL100.0 or 445.580 - 5.0MHz PL100.0 LSB Net 8pm 3.908 MHz		LSB Net 8pm 3.908 MHz		SSARC SSB HF Net 8:30am 7.245 (+ or - QRM/N) 40 meter CW-QRP 9am 7.032 MHz

Additional information on local nets can be found on the CVARC web site at:

http://www.cvarc.org/new-wp/?page_id=470

ACS Corner

1. 6 January 2014 - Monday - District Meeting at the ECSS at 1900. All are welcome to attend.
2. 15 January 2014 - Wednesday - Mass Care Exercise

- Steve King KE6WEZ (ke6wez@gmail.com)

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Events

Thursday, January 2, 2014, 6:00pm SSARC Pizza Night

Round Table Pizza, 2345 Erringer Road, Ste. 100, Simi Valley

Thursday, January 9, 2014, 7:00pm SSARC General Meeting

Simi Valley Senior Center, 3900 Avenida Simi, Simi Valley, CA 93063

Saturday, January 25, 2014, 7 am W6TRW Swapmeet (7am) and Exam Session (10am) Redondo Beach, CA

<http://w6trw.com/swapmeet/swapmeet.htm>

Sunday, February 9, 2014, 8:30am Ham Radio License Exam Session

Ventura County Sheriff's E County Station

2101 E Olsen Rd (Between 23 Hwy & Reagan Library);

Community Room, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360 Walk-ins-Allowed.

Contact: Jeffrey M Reinhardt (818) 706-3853

See: <http://www.cvarc.org/> for more information

February 2014 - USS Iowa Ship Tour - Details TBD

Frank KI6OQ will have more information and a signup sheet at pizza night and the general meeting for those interested.

Auxiliary Communications Field Operations Guide

An interesting free resource document for emergency radio communications is available from the Department of Homeland Security.

"The Auxiliary Communications Field Operations Guide (AUXFOG) is a reference for auxiliary communicators who directly support backup emergency communications for State/local public safety entities or for an amateur radio organization supporting public safety.

This reference guide contains information about AuxComm best practices, frequently used radio frequencies, Mutual Aid channels as well as tips and suggestions about auxiliary emergency communicators integrating into a NIMS ICS environment to support communications for planned events or incidents. It can serve as a reference both for auxiliary emergency communicators and public safety communications professionals. You can download the AUXFOG by clicking on the hyperlink to the left and save it to your own storage device. It will only download as a PDF.

While printed copies are not available from DHS, you may download an electronic copy to print as many hard copies as desired. Please note that if you modify the document in any way, such as by adding information specific to your organization or area, you must remove the DHS seal unless you receive permission from the DHS Office of Public affairs to use it."

Copies can be downloaded from:

http://www.publicsafetytools.info/view_files/view_file.php?fileName=AUXFOG_21_November_2013.pdf

Simi Settlers' Leadership

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 Simi Settlers' ARC Yahoo Group: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SimiSettlersARC>
 Mail: P.O. Box 2125 Simi Valley, CA 93063-2125

Letter From The Editor

Well, here we are at the beginning of a new year. A time to pause and reflect on what we've accomplished and to plan for what is to come. For me it seems like I had more projects started than finished. I did get a new radio and tried out a couple of wire antennas with mixed results. I received my first ARRL WAS award (thanks to Logbook of the World). I almost completed my CERT training (I have to make up a class I missed). Did configure a couple of wifi routers for hamnet operation and met up with Steve KE6WEZ to try them out (now we need to figure out what to do with them!)

I did not reach my goal of being able to copy code at 20wpm (still a little gun shy about making actual contacts). And I have a compact five band, two element beam waiting to be put together and mounted.



Picture courtesy Lisa KK6AKR

Happy Holidays and 73's to all,

Joe W6JWP

Simi Settlers Amateur Radio Club

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Membership Application

(Membership Year is counted from July 1st of the current year to June 30th of the following year. Membership fees will be prorated accordingly.)



Type of Application:

New Member ☐
Renewal ☐

Type of Membership:

Individual (\$12/yr) ☐
Family (\$18/yr) ☐

Name: _____ Day & Month of Birth: _____
(Omit year)

Call: _____ Class: _____ ARRL: Yes ☐ No ☐

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Alt. Phone: (____) _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Additional Family Members:

Name: _____ Day & Month of Birth: _____
(Omit year)

Call: _____ Class: _____ ARRL: Yes ☐ No ☐

Name: _____ Day & Month of Birth: _____
(Omit year)

Call: _____ Class: _____ ARRL: Yes ☐ No ☐

Name: _____ Day & Month of Birth: _____
(Omit year)

Call: _____ Class: _____ ARRL: Yes ☐ No ☐

Badges requested: Yes ☐ No ☐ How many? _____ X \$15.00 = \$ _____

Name (s) Call(s): _____

Shirts requested: Yes ☐ No ☐ How many? _____ X \$35.00 = \$ _____

Name (s) Call(s) Size(s) (Sm, Med, L, XL, etc): _____

Jackets Requested: Yes ☐ No ☐ How many? _____ X \$88.00 = \$ _____

Name (s) Call(s) Size(s) (Sm, Med, L, XL, etc): _____

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Application type: New ☐ Renewal ☐ Membership type: Individual ☐ Family ☐

Date Received: _____ Amount Received: _____ Database completed: _____

Badges and Shirts ordered: _____